

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

- Sub. B1> 1. (Once Amended) A three piece solid golf ball comprising:
- a center core, an intermediate layer, and a cover enclosing the core through the intermediate layer;
- 5 said center core having a diameter of at least 29 mm [(1.1417 inches)] and a specific gravity of less than 1.4;
- Q3 said intermediate layer having a thickness of at least 1 mm [(0.03937 inches)], a specific gravity of less than 1.2, and a hardness of at least 85 on JIS C (Shore C) scale, the specific gravity of said intermediate layer being lower than the specific gravity of said center core; and
- 10 said cover having a thickness of 1 to 3 mm [(0.03937 to 0.1182 inches)] and being softer than said intermediate layer.

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please add the following title and abstract:

-- IMPROVED MULTI-LAYER GOLF BALL

Ins. B5> Disclosed herein is a multi-layer golf ball utilizing a particular arrangement of materials having certain dimensions, specific gravities, and hardnesses. The golf ball has a center core, an intermediate layer, and a cover layer. The intermediate layer has a specific gravity less than that of the center core. The intermediate layer has a Shore C hardness of at least 85. The cover layer encloses the core and intermediate layer and is softer than the intermediate layer. --

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